car that was there Thursday night." Looked Like Same Machine. "How could you tell it was the machine?" asked Mr. Smith, for the de-

fense. "It looked the same to me."

"How can you tell one machine from another? "The machine of Thursday night and

of Saturday night had a yellow top. "Didn't you all tell Paul he was in a bad fix and to tell all to the police?" "Not until we knew he had bought "Then you all tried to edge Paul out

of it?" "I just told him to tell the truth." "Wasn't he worried to death and

pretty nearly crasy? "No. sir. He didn't act crazy. "Did you ever see him have any fits." The has had nervous breakdowns. "Did Paul tell you anything about the alleged confession on that Thursday night

He told us only about the purchase of the gun. John Joseph, a Syrian, who has a confectionery store at Short and Main streets, testified he saw Paul Beattie at his stand Thursday night, July 13. What did Paul do at your store?" "He came in between 8 and 10 at night

and sat down. "What did he do?"

Looked Like Prisoner.

He had been there seven or eight min utes and a machine came. Another young fellow was in it and they went west?" "When did you meet the prisoner?"

"In the jail." "Was it the same man who came for Paul?"

"I think so, but I wouldn't swear." Frank Mason, who claims to have been in the Joseph store at Short and Main streets, testified that he saw Paul there Thursday night and that a machine called for him.

William McEvoy, a bartender, testified that he saw Paul and Henry together about half past 8 o'clock in McEvoy's bar drinking beer "on either Wednesday, Thursday or Friday night before the murder.

On cross-examination he was asked it was not Saturday night, but he sai he didn't work that night, John Britton corroborated McEvoy testimony, declaring he saw Paul and Henry at the bar Thursday night before the murder. He said he thought they had a machine outside and came between S and 9 o'clock.

Counsel for the prosecution at 11:15 o'clock asked for ten-minute adjournment to arrange for the bringing of some wit-

Supports Kestelberg Story.

By previous agreement the defense was terruption of ten minutes asked by the over her lap?" who came from a dance at Bon Air on the night of the murder. He corroborated Kestelberg's testimony that it was he who the boys saw with a woman on the running board of a machine that had stopped on the road. James Rafter, a night watchman en

Mayo's bridge, relieved by Paul Beattle at 7 o'clock every morning, testified that on the Sunday morning when E. H. Neblitt said he saw Paul with a gun in the cement house he saw no gun there. "If it was there I would have seen the gun." said Rafter. Did you see Paul when he came

Did he have a shotgun or any other

The gun could have been hidden, however, in the wement house, couldn't it?" asked Mr. Smith, on cross-examination.

F. J. Houchens, father-in-law of Pau Beattle, said he saw the latter going to work the Sunday morning in question w. H. Lewis said he was at the bridge Sunday morning and saw E. H. Neblitt come and go and during the whole time did not see Paul with a gun.

Not in Cement House.

Walter Nunnally said that while Neblitt was at the bridge Paul was not in the cement house where Neblitt alleged that he saw him handling a gun. George D. Talley corroborated Nunnally's testimony

the bridge during the entire period while Neblitt stopped on the bridge and that Paul neither visited the cement house nearby nor carried a shotgun. William Sharp testified that Neblitt did

not know Paul Beattle when he saw him. because a few days ago in the courthouse vard he had asked him to point out Paul Coroner J. G. Loving was asked if he had a conversation on the Thursday after the murder with Henry Clay Beattie, jr., in the presence of several detectives in which the prisoner denied that he sent Beulah Binford money for furniture. The defense objected. Prosecutor Wendenburg said his purpose was to impeach and discredit the veracity of the sound.

Question Ruled Out.

the conversation in question. Judge Wat-

Dr. Loving then was asked if it was defense objected and the jury was asked to retire, the court finally ruling that the and the Monday before Mrs. Beattle was question was one of common knowledge murdered he had spent the night with his and could not be settled any better by expert testimony. Mr. Wendenburg said

Paul come home in a machine with

witness.

In Hands of Prosecutor.

The direct examination of the prisoner was ended yesterday afternoon shortly after the recess for luncheon, at which time The Star's report closed. Prosecuter Wendenburg launched immediately into his cross-examination.

they were clear-cut and decisive, but he showed considerable skill at evasion to get a receipt from the furniture man where direct answers would have been upon the monthly payments which Beatembarrassing. In the early stages of tie himself would meet. his cross-examination Beattle made a good witness for himself. He admitted Beattie answered spunkily, mentioning without reservation his relations with Beulah Binford, and stuck to his denial But Wendenburg was insistent. that Paul Beattie had ever purchased a gun at his request, or even that he had seen Paul the Thursday evening the latter says arrangements for buying the friends. gun were made.

The climax to the long day of strain in the little courthouse came unexpectedly about a half hour before the judge adjourned the court. Then, in the little cleared space, not more than three feet wide, where the dense jam that had filled the courtroom all day parted to give the witness room to place his feet bits of grewsome drama were spilled while all the courtroom held its breath. Beattle had endeavored to indicate to by the highwayman who, he says, was Beattle, the cousin who has given the

hand and indicate with his right the motion of manipulating the steering wheel

Used Boy to Illustrate.

your wife in the automobile after she had the murder, had asked Paul to find

A barefooted little farmer's boy, who had been acting as copy runner for the reporters during the day, drew hastily way from the young man in the chair as he stretched out his hand to seize him. all eyes overcame the lad's timidity, and cording to Paul's testimony, was the with his arm. Beattie's left hand spread out across his back just above the buttons on his cut-down trousers. "So that is how you supported your wife's body after she was shot. I ask! you now to look at the left sleeve of this gun. Though Wendenburg mentioned the shirt, which you wore on the night of the names of six people who would come to murder, and tell me if you see any blood

Wendenburg passed the shirt up to Beattie. The witness touched the garment gingerly, and as he turned it over and over the muscles of his cheeks kept pulsing. He found no blood on the left "You say that when your wife was shot you felt her head fall over on your left Wendenburg drove the next

question. "Look at the left shoulder of hat shirt and point out to me any blood pot that was made when her head touched your shoulder.

Found No Blood Stains.

Again the witness pawed the bloody relic uncertainly. There was no blood on

"I think I may have had my coat on when the murder occurred, Beattie finalmanaged to say, "I am not sure whether it was on then or whether I put t on later, when I got out to light my

Wendenburg directed Sheriff Gill to dive into the old cardboard box that was sitting by the stenographer's desk and bring from it the jacket Beattie had worn or sheriff was rummaging Beattle wiped his forehead with a handkerchief. He reached for a glass of water. Then, when the brown jacket was handed to him, he stood up, divested himself of his neat olue serge jacket and put on the other. "Now look on the left breast and the eft shoulder of that jacket," the prose cutor commanded, "and point out to the jury the blood spots that were made when your wife's head fell against you, is you have indicated. Beattie craned his neck to look at the houlder and sleeve. There were no dark stains there, although one could be seen

near the tail of the coat at the back.

Disposition of Body. The cross-questioner then waited have Beattie show the jury just how he as wool shippers, from all parts of the had disposed of his wife's body in the car after he had returned from grappling with the highwayman and had started his machine homeward

"I found my wife's body lying over the right," Beattic said. "I laid her body so that her feet were hanging out over the arm was around her." Here the prisoner bent himself double over in her lap, like that," he said. "You're sure her head was hanging over in her lap?" Wendenburg asked.

He was getting ready to clinch thi her waist as I drove with my right." case that there was not one bit of blood Hepburn law of 1906, while the published on the front of your wife's dress, would tariff rates have remained stationary. you still say that her head was hanging "If you will let me put you over two chairs, Mr. Wendenburg, I will show you

what I mean," Beattle answered, in eva-The prosecutor said that he would not Another difficult task for Beattie to follow was that steered by Wendenburg, when he questioned the young man mi nutely upon the relative distances be side of the road. First he wanted to know how brightly the lamps were shining on the car that night. Beattie thought they were not shining brightly enough to reveal any object in the road

front of the car to the right. Not Expecting Highwayman.

"From the ditch to the middle of the road which you were traveling is over eleven feet. How does it happen that you did not see the man step to the middle of the road?"

"I don't know; I guess I was not expecting him.' "When did you first see the gun in the man's hand?" "After the car stopped. I stopped because I thought I was going to run over

"And so you didn't notice the gun until after the car stopped? Where did he get the gun from?

Beattie said that he didn't know. and pointed it at him that he saw it. The witness could not answer satisfactorily why it was that with a good margin of the road still left to him he had not run past the intruder. Nor could he explain why, when he stooped suddenly at Germantown yesterday from Buffalo. over to release the clutch and start the machine, the gun, which, he says, had been covering him, should have swung up and to the right so that his wife rereived the charge designed for him. An- sideration the low temperature. The other point was scored by the prosecution doors were locked at Buflalo and, fail-

Wife Did Not Scream.

He asked Beattle what his wife had said when she saw the gun pointed at him. Had she screamed? No, Mrs. Beattie had just sat still, uttering not

prisoner, as he yesterday denied having The prosecutor was merciless in uncovering the sordid facts about Beattle's son declared the question collateral and relations with the girl whom he had irst seen when she was just one month past thirteen, and in short dresses. "In the few months before your wife lied were not your nights with Beulah an argument last night about the rela-Binford Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays?" the prosecutor demanded.

these were the nights he was not with "Isn't it a fact that you were in love death was purely accidental he will

with this woman?

overed diary, and asked Beattle if he another man on the Thursday night be- had ever read it. It was Beulah Binfore the murder. The porches of their ford's diary of her affair with Beattle. nomes adjoin, she said, and Paul bade and the last entry in it was on the night her "good evening" when he entered the before Mrs. Beattie was murdered. The through it carelessly, but that he remembered nothing of its contents. Wendenburg made a hard fight to get the diary into evidence, but the court ruled that in which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha which leaves Chicago Sunday evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy a leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy a leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy a leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy a leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy a leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy at leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy at leisurely meal of cold in the furl was evening at 10:15 o'clock for Omaha agree can enjoy at leisurely meal of cold i Court took a recess for luncheon at 1:10, through it carelessly, but that he rememjust before Mr. Wendenburg announced bered nothing of its contents. Wendenthat Mrs. Paul Beattle would be the next | burg made a hard fight to get the diary

Others Helping Beulah.

that while your wife was mothering your his old home. child you were preparing to furnish a flat for this girl?" Wendenburg asked. Beattie faced the prosecutor almost de- after he had had Beattle identify a letter flantly. When he gave direct answers in which he told Beulah Binford always

> "No one could furnish a flat on \$10." the installment sum quoted in the letter. ing, but others were doing it, too. He did not specify, except to say "other

kisses'? Was that a way a man would address a woman if he did not love her?" "Oh, that meant nothing at all," Beatthousand times. hidden by a palm-leaf fan. In one serious slave act." After investigation it was de-

issue Beattie laid himself open to rebuttal by at least six witnesses. Whenever, against them. the prosecutor just how he had held the during the course of the examination. body of his wife after she had been shot Wendenburg mentioned the name of Paul the law. the assassin. He spread out his left most damaging testimony against Beattie, the witness went out of his way to volunteer something discreditable to Paul. John D. Rockefeller's Cousin Dead. Though he began by saying that he had WARRENSBURG, Mo., September 5 .- Davilla administration, have been ordernever had anything to do with his cousin aside from paying him money when he John D. Rockefeller, died at his home and forcibly detained there in connection came to beg at the Beattle store, Beattle admitted later that three times he had here today, aged eighty-one. He was a plot. Their arrest followed soon after "There, take that little boy," commandadmitted later that three times he had
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f Beulah had been arrested.

Took Cousin for Ride. He admitted having taken his cousin Paul to ride with him on the Saturday Then the impulse to be the center of night preceding the murder, which, ache allowed Beattie to circle his waist night he delivered the gun to Henry, but he denied flatly having called to meet Paul by appointment on the Thursday night preceding which occasion Paul has testified Henry asked him to buy the support Paul's testimony in this respect. Beattie still maintained that he had not seen his cousin on that night. He disclaimed any connection with the purchase of a gun by Paul, denied receiving the gun from him, and in general contradicted his cousin's testimony in all essentia

> Counsel for the defense twitted prosecution for not putting the Binford girl on the witness stand since the government had subpoensed her. Attorney larry M. Smith, jr., of the defense said he never had had any opportunity of even speaking with her, as she was kept inommunicado in jail, whereat Judge Watin surprise, declared the defense would have every opportunity to confer with the girl. Counsel for the defense said he washed

> his hands of the girl. The prosecution intimated it would call the girl today or Wednesday it is practically certain that she will be called, of Paul Beattie as to certain messages which he says Henry asked him to deliver

PROBING RAILWAY RATES.

the night his wife was slain. While the Complaints Regarding Transporta

tion of Wool and Pelts Considered. CHICAGO. September 5. - Interstate Commerce Commissioner C. A. Prouty is fronted by a perplexing problem with race of monoplanes twice around the expected here today to begin Wednesday a series of hearings in the general investigation of alleged unreasonable rates and practices in the transportation of wool. hides and pelts from various western producing points to the eastern markets. Following four or five days of hearings the inquiry, which will be nation wide in in the middle of the back, and another its scope, will be continued at Albuquerque, Denver. Salt Lake City, Phoenix and Portland. All of the transcontinental railroads are defendants in the case, and a score of prominent traffic officials, as well

west are expected as witnesses. The investigation has been undertaken on the commissioner's own initiative, following many protests concerning the present rate adjustment from the wool left seat, with her head in my seat to the shippers. Although the main complaint concerns the adjustment of rates as beleft running board. The middle of her markets, the wool interests are seeking body was on the left seat, and my left a general reduction of their rates from econd to fourth class. From Utah common points this would give a reduction in illustrating. "Her head was hanging from \$1.651/2 to \$1.39 per 100 pounds to

One phase of the hearings will cover former practices of the railroads in grant- ways and means committee this afternoon ing rebates to the wool shippers, as they Yes, sure; and my left arm was around raised by 33 1-3 per cent by the elimination of rebates and other preferential concessions following the passage of the

COTTON MILLS RESUME.

More Than 50,000 Operatives Back at Work After Layoff.

BOSTON, September 5 .- A change for a shut-down varying from eight days to

Curtailment of the production of cotton more than a few yards ahead. Beattie said that he had not seen the man with he gun until he was within six feet in further improve. Manufacturers hope, however, that the worst is over. President William M. Wood

American Woolen Company, which conrols thirty mills in New England and New York state, says that the woolen business is improving and that the mills are more active than for some time.

THREE DAYS IN COLD CAR.

Massachusetts Man Nearly Dead on Reaching Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., September 5. William Brigan of Worcester, Mass., is Brigan says he entered the car last Sat-Philadelphia and did not take into coning to get them open or attract attention, he fell into a stupor and bceame unconscious. He is suffering from pneu-

FATALLY HURT WRESTLING

Argument Over Gotch-Hack Match Gruesomely Settled.

PHILADELPHIA, September 5 .- Joseph Whoski and Andrew Relda, Poles, both about twenty-eight years old, got into who met in Chicago yesterday. They dehis wife, but Wendenburg got him to in a wrestling bout. Whoski was thrown confirm the fact that on the Thursday three times and was so badly hurt that he died today.

His opponent was arrested, but as

GOING TO OMAHA.

Postmaster Merritt Will Attend National Convention.

was only by putting the Binford girl on first-class postmasters, which is to be the stand to identify it that he could do held in that city.

Mr. Merritt is now absent from the city escapes in the past, there has never been As many as 125 cars of watermelons have on his summer vacation. He will prob- an accident to a naval or merchant vessel come here in a day, and then there might "Now, isn't it a fact, Henry Beattie, ably go to Chicago from Lockport, N. Y.,

ARRESTED FOR VAGRANCY.

William Edmonston and Nellie Wil-BODY FOUND IN RIVER. liams Taken Into Custody. William Edmonston, giving his age as forty-two years, his occupation as a pa- Toledo Police Think They May Have sale in carload lots, a car said to contain

perhanger and his address as 2M D street forthwest, who claims to be the son of Finally Beattie said that he was help- Charles Edmonston, former proprietor of a shoe store at 1334 F street northwest. was arrested this morning by Precinct "What did you mean by signing this Detectives Howes and Messer and locked letter 'Oceans of love, brimming with up in the first precinct station. The detectives also arrested Nellie Williams, proprietress of the house in which Edtie answered, with an airy wave of his monston was arrested. The police dehand. "I've said that to other girls a tained the pair because they were sus- and it is thought the man may have met reason or another the supply actually on The prisoner's father sat with his head pected of having violated the "white with foul play. cided to place charges of vagrancy Both denied any intention of violating

THREE ARE CONSIDERED Ties Spiked on Track of Branch of Baltimore and Ohio. AS HIGH SCHOOL HEAD

Successor to Dr. Meyers a McKinley to Be Named Tomorrow.

With three Washington teachers known will be recommended by Superintendent the board as principal of the McKinley Manual Training School.

sideration, are Prof. Frank Daniel of the McKinley School, Dr. W. A. Hedrick of Technical High School and Prof. Charles Hart of Business High School. It is a toss-up as to which of them will be chosen, as far as any intimation of a decision from officials is concerned. Dr. Boston Schedule Calls for 33-Mile particularly to corroborate the testimony Davidson today stated that, while he practically has made up his mind in the matter, he will not make his recommen-

> morrow afternoon Friends of Dr. Hedrick and of Prof. Daniel are equally confident that the selection will fall upon one of these two. while Prof. Hart's chances also are considered to be excellent. In fact, all three eachers have been recommended to Dr. Davidson so highly that he has been con-

dation known until the board meets to-

To Revise School Estimates.

respect to making a selection.

This afternoon the ways and means ommittee of the board of education will meet to make a final revision of the school estimates. It is expected that the work will be completed in time for the estimates to go before the board tomor-

The board of education learned today that it will be called upon to give its views with respect to the best time for taking a police census of Washington. It is not likely, however, that this will come before the board tomorrow. Maj. Sylvester, chief of police; Dr. Tin dall, secretary to the board of Commissioners, and District Health Officer Woodward have been appointed by the Com missioners to report on whether the scope of the census which heretofore has been taken by the police and the time of taktween competing wool communities and ing the census should be changed. This committee will confer with the school board before making a report. Practically all of the school official and members of the board of education, who have been out of the city on their

LAUNDRY WAR IN COURT.

and of the board tomorrow.

vacations, have returned. It is expected

there will be a full meeting both of the

One Company Enjoins Rival From new tariffs have been in effect since Seeking to Secure Customers.

Justice Gould, in the Supreme Court he District, this morning issued an injunction restraining Page's Laundry Company, George F. Page, its president; Charles F. Schneider, its secretary; Royal H. Hewitt, George L. Gorman and Ldthe better occurred in many cities, towns ward Freas, laundry wagon drivers and tween the car and the bearded assailant and villages of New England today, when solicitors, from interfering with the busiwho had stepped so suddenly from the textile mills employing an aggregate of ness and employes of the Manhattan 55,000 persons resumed operations after Laundry Company, and from soliciting the customers of that company. In a suit filed today the Manhattan

Laundry Company charges that George less due to uncertainty as to the outcom Page, its former president, has entered of the negotiations, are current. into a new laundry business with Charles F. Schneider, under the name of Page's Laundry Company. It is alleged that Mr. Page induced Hewitt, Gorman and Freas, who were drivers on Manhattan laundry wagons, to quit the plantiff's employ and become employes of the new concern.

It is charged that all of the drivers of he Manhattan laundry are under writ- ber 13. ten contract not to solicit customers for any other laundry within one year after quitting thefr employment, and it is plaintiff alleges that Page induced the Manhattan laundry drivers to break were now actively soliciting their former employer's customers to give their patronage to their new employer. It is also alleged that the new laundry has succeeded in inducing a large number of the old company's employes to leave and is endeavoring to induce others to come into its employ.

The injunction which was issued enjoins the Page laundry from keeping Hewitt. Gorman and Freas in their emoloy and from hiring any other of the

Manhattan laundry employes. The injunction was put into effect immediately by the approval of Justice Gould of the

A further hearing in the case for next Friday morning. The Manhattan company was repre sented before the court by Attorneys Baker, Sheehy & Hogan and Darr, Peyser & Taylor.

LESSON IN NEAR TRAGEDY.

Vessels Cannot Be Singled Out as Targets at Great Distances.

A valuable lesson for use in war has ware, through mistake, fired at the repair ship Panther, instead of at the old battleship San Marcos, in the ordnance experiments in Chesapeake bay a few days ago.

target and pointed its gun at a vessel eos demonstrates, it is claimed, that a New Jersey. New York now gets, also, ship in battle will not be able to center its fire upon any particular vessel of the the later supply some from Indiana, Illi- ished in the same expensive wood. The enemy at the great range at which nois and Missouri. The very last of the beams across the ceiling and the metal future combats will be waged-say 16,000 watermelons come from New York state, pillars which form the main support vards. However carefully a commander may draw his plans, they may go awry if he endeavors to match ship to ship of the opposing forces. Whenever an enemy's deet appears upon the horizon, some ex- come by rail. A car will hold from 800 layers of wood securely glued together perts contend, the warships must open to 1,400 watermelons. They load water- is thickly carpeted, while light wickerthat some serious mishap may mar the tiers high, and loaded in this way they rama of forest and hill and stream motive, the pillar of black smoke from 47" and "Alixe."

exercises. While there have been many narrow through lack of precaution or misdirected be a day when New York would get only The Atlantic fleet is now off the Chesa-

of a white man, discolored and with the \$100 or up to \$500, and the prices might left foot missing, was found floating in spot where the accident occurred Satur- sion merchants seek to find an outlet for lost their lives. The body found is thought not to be points of production, but there may be that of any of those. The body was nude some places where at the moment for one

Held Prisoners in Honduras.

NEW ORLEANS, La., September 5.- away as Boston, and if he finds places According to passengers returning on the cars right along from here without steamers from Honduras today Col. A. unloading. Valladares and Jesus Ullea, the latter Honduran consul in this city under the

ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN.

Special Dispatch to The Star. HAGERSTOWN, Md., September 5 .-What is believed to have been a bold attempt to wreck the late Baltimore and Ohio passenger train, running on the Washington county branch, was discovered last night at a point between Keedysville and the bridge across Antietam creek, shortly before the train en route to Hagerstown was due at that law upon the Capital Traction Company place. A number of heavy cross-ties had to honor transfers issued by the Baltibeen piled on the track and spiked to- more and Washington Transit Company, gether by means of iron splice-bars, at the intersections of the roads, at 14th as being considered for the position, which, in turn, were spiked to the cross- and Kennedy streets, will be the subject ties under the rails. A young man walk- of consideration by the District electric ing along the track d'scovered the ob- railway commission at the meeting to be of Schools Davidson and approved by struction and reported the matter to Agent Edward Gates, at Keedysville, who, with the aid of section men, had the track clear by the time the train ar-

The teachers whose qualifications for rived. There is a steep embankment at the point where the obstruction had been placed. Railroad detectives are at work. but, it is said, they have no clues.

> SEA FEATURE OF AERO MEET. Flight Over Light Course.

BOSTON, September 5 .- A thirty-threemile aerial voyage on the Boston light course was the scheduled sea feature today of the Harvard-Boston aero meet. With weather conditions excellent during the morning hours, it was expected that at the signal this afternoon at least half a dozen aviators would start It was predicted that it would be

beacon in Boston harbor, with Claude announces Attorney Dunlop, who says Grahame-White, Earl L. Ovington and he has not yet had time to read the pe-Tom Sopwith as the principal contestants. Not a speedy biplane is now on the field. Eugene Ely of the Curtiss squad left last night, and Lincoln Beachey, the other member of the Curtiss team, went away last week. The figure-eight speed event and ar eighteen-mile race around the field were

other contests of interest scheduled for this afternoon. The events today were postponed from Tuesday of last week.

RICE PRODUCERS PROTEST Advance in Freight Rates Attacked

Before I. C. C. Recent advances in the freight rates on rice and rice products from Houston, the English to capture the Harmsworth Tex., to New York and Atlantic seaboard trophy, and it was reported on Huntingpoints generally were attacked today be- ton bay that the Britishers had somefore the interstate commerce commission. The complaint was filed by the Houston It was said in the English camp that hamber of Commerce and rice millers of the Pioneer's sparking arrangement was Houston, and was directed against the not working satisfactorily in yesterday's Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio race, when the American boat Dixie IV only 75,000 boxes. railway and other carriers operating in distanced her 59 seconds in three knots. cents a hunded pounds on clear rice, in was perfect and that she might be ex- yield has been slowly climbing again, carloads, and proportionately more on pected to live up to her reputation of until for the season of 1900 and 1910 it less than carload lots, while on rice prod- forty-eight miles an hour. For that reaucts the advance was still greater. The

RUMORS DISTURB FRANCE.

Movement of Troops Toward Frontier Increases Talk of War.

PARIS. September 5.-Although Ger France's proposal of yesterday relative to the Moroccan dispute, and while none s expected by the French foreign officials for some days, many rumors, doubt-

La Patrie, in headlines running across its From the London Standard. entire front page, announces a considerable movement of French troops toward the French frontier. Inquiries made at the ministry of war elicited the information that this movement is connected with the naneuvers of the French army, which, beginning today, will last until Septem-

in the district, 30,000 troops are now regnable frontier fortress, which is the objective point of the army. The Paris bourse was affected to only a slight degree today by the Moroccan situation. Some French money in the process of withdrawal from Berlin, either directly or through Swiss banks, was ex-plained by the unusual demands of the

approaching January payments. WATERMELONS FOR NEW YORK.

Two Millions and a Half Eaten in

Big City Each Summer. From the New York Sun. New York receives in the course of the

melons. The weight of a watermelon runs from fifteen to sixty pounds; putting the average at thirty pounds, New York eats about 37,500 tons of water-Since the Spanish-American war th most of them in the latter part of April

ut they do not amount to much more

surrounding it about 2,500,000 water-

The real market supply here comes first from Florida, starting about the middle German navy and mercantile marine. f May, and from that on as the season some early melons from Alabama, and in panels and other inlaying are all finthe season closing about October 20. Georgia and Virginia are brought here by appearance of elegance and luxury melon cars with the melons laid on the work furniture supplies comfortable ride all right with very little breakage. glass.

There are solid trains of watermelons. seven cars, and then there might come forty cars or seventy; the receipts vary; From the London Times. peake capes demolishing targets. Ex- perhaps twenty-five cars a day would be in the market when melons were sold for next to nothing or given away or thrown away, and always, of course, the

wholesale price depends on the demand and the supply. Melons are sold at whole-Uncovered Murder Mystery.

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Sale in carload lots, a car said to contain served as "sweepings from under the so many melons for so much, the prices ranging ordinarily from about \$125 to \$350 and the prices might of this tremendous economic waste is a car, though they might go down to more than thirty years after his death.

TOLEDO, Ohio, September 5.—The body

Sale in carload lots, a car said to contain served as "sweepings from under the study table." The papers in this volume of this tremendous economic waste is main devoted to musical productions, was were taken from Landor's writing desk were taken fr vary \$100 a car within a week. If there is an oversupply of watermelons Maumee bay late last night over the exact here New York wholesalers and commisin print in an altered form. Other docuprovements in furnace construction which day morning in which seven city officials them in other places. With the growth in which he bequeathed pictures to Robof population everywhere many cities now receive direct shipments from t hand has run low. So with more melons From the Scientific American.

Seeking Help. From the Pittsburg Post. "How are you at picture puzzles?" "Pretty fair."

here than the market will readily absorb

TRANSFER QUESTION

Issue Between Two Local Companies Before the Railway Commission.

What obligation, if any, is imposed by held Thursday.

The matter was brought to the attention of the commission in a letter signed by W. G. Platt, representing himself as a citizen of Takoma Park, which is in the route of the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company. He cites the section of the law incorporating this traction company, which imposes the duty upon the two roads to unite in giving a ride into Washington for a five-cent fare, and to sell tickets, interchangeable, six for

Ready for Next Meeting.

Secretary Eddy, executive officer of the commission, in acknowledging the letter, says the problem will be put up to the commission at its next meeting The Capital Traction Company has not yet prepared its answer to the suit of the Baltimore and Washington Transit Com-

tition filed in court. If the interstate commerce commission in the face of that, here is an attempt accepts jurisdiction of the matter, as to bribe a whole people. The insult to proposed in the letter of W. G. Platt, the the people of Arizona will react on the Baltimore and Washington Transit Company, Attorney Lerch says, will probably follow the suggestion and place its complaints before that body.

BRITAIN IS CONFIDENT. Hopes to Capture Motor Race Today

in Trophy Contest. HUNTINGTON, L. I., September 5.

Machinists and motor boat racing experts worked most of the night on the Duke of Westminster's Pioneer, the last hope of thing up their sleeve for today's contest. The increase of rates was two But today it was said that the Pioneer But in the fifteen years since then the son a stirring contest was anticipated. If the Dixie or one of her American teammates, the Disturber II or the Viva, wins today's race, which was scheduled to start at 2 p.m., the international Florida citrus exchange has been organchampionship will remain in this coun- ized, and it directs the packing and shiptry for at least another year. It will ping of a large part of the crop. In the make seven consecutive times America great packing houses of Florida no hand actually touches the oranges. Every perhas successfully defended the prized If the Pioneer, the only English boat

the tie will be held tomorrow. \$50 OUTINGS IN CLOUDLAND Trips in the New Zeppelin Car in

Demand.

in today's race, wins, the race to decide

at Dusseldorf, the new Zeppelin airship fruit when the boxes are stacked one on month of August, submitted to the Com-Schwaben was placed in commission last £10 per passenger, these aerial cruises is obliged to keep careful watch for fruit have already become so popular, especialwith British and American tourists, that bookings have to be made several days in advance. To facilitate matters and avoid annoying delays to their patrons the company arranged with the Hamburg-American Line to open a book-

ng office in London. The Schwaben is the latest Zeppelir creation, and the successor of the illfated Deutschland, which was wrecked in a storm last September while making similar cruises from Frederickshafen. insure greater security and stability even in rough weather. The new airship is 485 feet long, with a diameter of 46 feet, and a gas volume in round figures of 671,000 cubic feet, contained in eighteen separate reservoirs. In her two operating cars, one forward and horsepower each, capable of driving than a drop in the bucket as compared ger car, which is rigidly suspended with the flood that starts in a little later amidships. The operators are all experienced officers, steersmen and en-

The passenger cabin, which has accommodation for twenty-four persons, the car are richly inlaid with mother

Landor Poems Found.

collection of S. Wheeler. The most interesting of the literary rel-

corrections by Landor which he himself in other cases there are to be found the as well, must be generated before the name by its new managers. original drafts of lines which appeared power can be applied. But there are imments include a will written by himself reduce the losses of imperfect combusert Browning and Mrs. Lynn Linton.

Filtered Water in Bamboo. Yapp, the English naturalist, who has

the New York merchant wires New Haven, explored the mountain ranges of the Hartford and various other points as far Malay peninsula, reports the fact, not away as Boston, and it he mas places generally known, that in several species profound energy and sympathy. The leadof bamboo the hollow internodes-the parts of the stems between the jointsedge of this fact might be of great service in an emergency.

Mr. Yapp also discovered on his last

GIVES UP PREACHING. Business Pays Better.

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass., September 5. Believing that he can make a livelihood Operations in Capital Last better in commercial lines than in preaching the gospel. Rev. Gerhart A. Wilson has resigned the pastorate of the First Congregational Church, the wealthiest congregation in town, to go into the coal business. He intends, however, to keep INSPECTOR MAKES REPORT in touch with his church and will con tinue as an associate pastor, helping the

Rev. Mr. Wilson has been in Swamp scott for three years. He previously held pastorates in Washington, D. C., Providence, R. I., and Holyoke, Mass.

Washington pastors who could eached today say they do not remember

a Rev. Gerhart A. Wilson as a local

TAFT DENOUNCED BY CLAPP. Declares Elimination of Recall an

Attempt to Bribe People. SAN FRANCISCO, September 5 .- The ection of President Taft on the Arizona statehood bill, eliminating the recall of the judiciary, was denounced as an attempt at the bribery of the people by Senator Clapp of Minnesota at a banquet given last night by the Direct Legisla-

tion League "What shall we say of a policy to force an electorate to foreswear its convictions as the price of admission to the Union?" he said. "It savors of the year in the number of business buildings pany, instituted to compel it to honor the dark ages. It is an attempt at the erected and a very substantial increase transfers of the complainant corporation,

bribery of a people. "There are two cases of bribery now being investigated by the Senate, yet dwellings and apartment houses. opponents of the recall finally and will do much to further the recall of the judiciary throughout the United States. inspector's office were correspondingly re-"The fight against the recall of the judiciary is the last stand of the special

FLORIDA ORANGE CROP.

How 6,000,000 Boxes Are Picked. Packed and Shipped.

The effects of the famous freeze which struck Florida about sixteen years ago have at last been wiped out. At that time the fiscal year 1912 will considerably exthe annual production of citrus fruit ceed the appropriation made for the ofhad climbed from 600,000 boxes in 1884 fice for that year. and 1885 to 6,000,000 boxes in 1894 and 1805. Then the big freeze happened along and the next season's crop in Florida was

The industry was practically wiped out.

which 6,000,000 were shipped out of the the District. Within the last two or three years the

to protect the orange from any possible contamination of human touch and from scratching and bruising by the finger their equipment of ladders, baskets, field boxes, clippers, etc. Each picker wears his white gloves and carries a wicker basket, shaped to fit the back or side of the person, swung from the shoulder. Each basket is lined with thick canvas. which is stretched four or five inches the year, failed to pass and were ordered from the bottom of the basket. Every back for re-examination, it is stated

son who handles them wears white gloves

orange must be clipped, not pulled or One license was revoked for cause. smooth and flush with the surface of the bers be given an annual compensation Each piece of fruit is laid, not dropped into the basket, and when filled the bas- engineers, master plumbers and auto ket is carefully emptied into the field These are never filled above the boxes. top, thus preventing the bruising of the

another for carriage to the packing They are taken to the plant on hig platform wagons equipped with springs so amounted to \$152,252, bringing the total unevenness of roads. In the packing biggest showing of any section of the city house the fruit in the field boxes is put in the month's operations, with northon the first grading table, and from this east second and southeast third. point to the packing boxes every person that is below grade, for the motto of the exchange, "Every doubtful orange is a cull," stretches in big letters across one end of the house where none can fall to A Bit of the Theatrical History of

From the first table the fruit is carried over wooden rollers down a gentle incline to the washing tank. Every orange receives a scrubbing before it is deemed fit to be sent to a critical market, and inci- facing the Columbus Circle will restore to dentally it is worth just about 20 per cent this city a playhouse known by a title more after the bath than before, so it which has for some years been missing

After the bath the oranges are assorted from the history of theatricals on this is according to size in bins. Beside the bins land. There has been a Park Theater stand the packers, each, like the other this city almost ever since a stage came workers, wearing the ever present white into existence here. The original Park gloves. Here each orange is rapidly into existence here. The original Park wrapped in its square of white paper Theater stood on Park row, and it faced with the stem of the orange under the in its day what was then the lower pa twist of the paper. On the end of each of City Hall Park, although now that box is stamped the size of the oranges spot is occupied by the post office. That within, and when the box is filled it is placed on an automatic carrier which de- this playhouse cost in 1798 \$130,000 is an

Here a specially designed machine ture. It was finally destroyed by fire in resses down the end of the cover which 1848, but the names of the most eminent is nailed to the heads, but the middle is left loose from the middle partition of English and American actors of the times the box. This is called the flush pack, are associated with its history. It is which is demanded by the best markets doubtful if any other theater ever enin the north. From this point the boxes joyed quite the same reputation in this are loaded into the waiting cars on the community. It is true, however, that switch track at the southern end of the such an institution was possible only in house. Each box is placed on end, six a much smaller city than New York is boxes across the car and three boxes at present. These are then stripped or braced in the car to prevent jarring and conse- not reappear so soon as one might have quent bruising in transportation to the expected. The building had been burned markets. Three hundred boxes make a and managers are superstitious. The New

The Cost of Smoke.

through large sliding windows of plate the factory chimney, account conspicuously for part of the waste. But these York had none to call the Park until the are minor losses. The chief difficulty old Aquarium, opened in October, 1876, on lies in the failure to use the combustible the northwest corner of 35th street and gases that arise from the burning coal. They are either allowed to escape unig- theater and christened the New Park. The Walter Savage Landor exhibition nited, or are discharged without having Here Edward Harrigan found shelter done any service beneath the bollers, to after the burning of the Comique. For peake capes demolishing targets. Experhaps twenty-live cars a day would be traordinary care is being taken to see an average through the busier month other capes and the London library is of great interest, that merchant steamers are kept out of the season.

Such a market when melons were sold in the season of the season o "smoke nuisance" costs the country, street and 6th avenue was in what is now through waste of fuel, injury to mer- known as the Herald Square Theater, chandise and unnecessary labor caused by hung over the stage of the newer house, ics is a volume of manus ript poems and clouds of soot, over \$600,000,000 a year. to which it was transferred after Booth's There is, moreover, an undeniable menace was torn down to make place for a com-Some of the poems are unpublished, and coal directly. Steam, and often electricity was the other day blessed with that tion, and progressive manufacturers are saving money for themselves and benefiting their communities by adopting them.

Art Needs Sympathy. Great art, the highest art, comes only

er must have his army behind him, the vates must hear an outery of passion are stored with large quantities of and understanding from all his world. Of Were they real wolf scalps? Unable to naturally filtered water. The knowl- old, when the poet spoke for a few, the settle the question, he sent a batch of response of the few was enough. Today, when he must speak for the many, the many must hear him, must not only visit two species of ferns growing on hear, but understand him in their protrees whose thick fleshy stems are foundest secret instincts of sympathy or filled with galleries tunneled by ants, rebellion; else he cannot utter the truta is estimated that the state of Wisconsin

UP Rev. Gerhart A. Wilson Thinks BUILDING FALLS OFF,

Year Decrease \$1,750,000.

new pastor whenever his services are Figures Do Not Indicate City Has Fallen Behind Normal Growth,

However.

Showing a reduction of approximately \$1,750,000 in the extent of building operations in the capital last year, the annual report of Building Inspector Morr's Hacker was submitted to the Commis-

The figures do not indicate that Washington has fallen behind its normal building growth, according to Mr. Hacker, as the operations of the year previous were the heaviest ever known in the District and far above the normal.

sioners today.

Everything taken into consideration, it is the opinion of the building inspector that the record made last year is a satisfactory one and proves that the capital's growth is being conducted along steady.

healthful lines. A noticeable feature of the report is the fact that there was an increase last in the number of repairs made. The

Fees Also Reduced.

material decreases were in the number of

As a result of the falling off in operations, the fees collected by the building duced. The total revenue of the office, it is stated, was \$30,354.46, as compared with \$34,474.82 collected the year pre-

Inasmuch as the expenses of the office during the year amounted to \$31,323.25, the fees fell considerably short of defraying costs. "I do not, however, recommend any in-

crease in the schedule of fees," says Mr. Hacker, "as the year previous the fees collected exceeded the expenses of the office by more than \$5,200, and there is good reason to believe that the fees in Should Attend Material Tests.

The report recommends that funds

heretofore allotted the office for the test-

ing of materials for fireproof buildings

be so appropriated as to permit the

engineers of the building division to a

tend tests of such fireproofing materials Mr. Hacker states that the assistant inspectors, who have conducted the field inspections, have done excellent work and that their services are not properly com

pensated "I cannot too heartily recommend, the report runs, "that, as specifically enumerated in the estimates, certain of the salaries in this office be increased

and means of transportation furnished Many Would Run Elevators. Accompanying Inspector Hacker's re-1911. Fifty-four persons, out of a total of 758 who took the examination during

The board recommends that its mem of the boards of examiners for steam bile operators. According to a separate report ing operations in the District for the missioners today by Building Inspector

A NEW PARK THEATER

New York City. The change of name of the theater

In spite of its vogue the name did Park Theater, which was also burned was on Broadway near 22d street, and was the scene of some notable successes in its day with Henry E. Abbey as its manager. The playhouse was burned of the night that a distinguished English the firebox of the locomotive actually as an actress in this country. This was drives it across the country. The rest in the early 80s, and that theater had is wasted. Not more than 10 per cent of produced W. S. Gilbert's "Engaged" and

> When that theater ceased to exist New Broadway, was in 1882 converted into a

Scalp Swindling. From the New York Mail

which the state pays a bounty on the scalps of wolves, the result being that those animals are persistently sought by hunters. So many wolf scalps have been turned in of late that the royalties have when profound energy of creation meets proved rather burdensome to the state treasury. While examining a lot of scalps not long ago a state official became suspicious.

There is a law in Wisconsin under

the scalps to Washington for an expert opinion. He got it promptly. They were not wolf scalps at all. But guess what they were? Neither more nor less than the scalps of squirrels! It has been swindled out of \$100,000 by the scalp trick.